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SUBJECT: REVIEW OF EMBASSY REPORTING FOR MURPHY COMMISSION

1. ROBERT F. RICH OF PRINCE ANALYSIS INC. PLANS TO VISIT BONN JANUARY 5-10 FOR PURPOSE OF INTERVIEWING SELECTED EMBASSY OFFICERS IN CONNECTION WITH A SURVEY OF EMBASSY REPORTING WHICH PRINCE ANALYSIS IS CARRYING OUT UNDER CONTRACT TO THE MURPHY COMMISSION.
 2. THE CONTRACT WHICH PRINCE ANALYSIS HAS WITH THE COMMISSION ON THE ORGANIZATION OF THE GOVERNMENT FOR THE CONDUCT OF FOREIGN POLICY (THE MURPHY COMMISSION) CALLS FOR A STUDY OF REPORTING FROM THE FIELD AS AN ELEMENT IN DEVELOPING AND CARRYING OUT THE NATION'S FOREIGN POLICY.
 3. THE OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT INCLUDE ANALYSIS OF THE PURPOSES FIELD REPORTS ARE DESIGNED TO SERVE, THE EXTENT TO WHICH SUCH PURPOSES ARE CURRENTLY FULFILLED, AND WHAT CHANGES IN THE ORGANIZATION OF THE GOVERNMENT FOR THE CONDUCT OF FOREIGN POLICY MIGHT BE UNDERTAKEN TO IMPROVE THE IMPACT OF REPORTS FROM THE FIELD. SINCE FIELD REPORTING IS ONLY ONE OF A NUMBER OF KINDS OF INFORMATION USED IN POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND EXECUTION, THE STUDY WILL ALSO
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ATTEMPT TO SUGGEST, TO THE DEGREE POSSIBLE, COMPARABLE

IMPROVEMENTS IN THE USE OF OTHER FORMS OF INFORMATION. THE RESULTS OF THIS STUDY, TOGETHER WITH A NUMBER OF OTHERS ALSO BEING UNDERTAKEN FOR THE COMMISSION, WILL BE USED TO PROVIDE BACKGROUND FOR THE COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE US CONGRESS.

4. THE STUDY IS NOT INTENDED AS AN "INSPECTION" OF PARTICULAR POSTS; THE RESULTS WILL BE USED TO HELP SKETCH A GENERAL OVERVIEW OF THE CURRENT REPORTING PROCESS: NOT APPRAISE THE REPORTING OF ANY INDIVIDUAL OR POST.

5. THE DEPARTMENT IS COOPERATING FULLY AND ACTIVELY IN THIS STUDY AND REQUESTS THAT THE EMBASSY EXTEND EVERY APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE TO MR. RICH.

6. GERMANY WAS CHOSEN AS ONE OF FOUR COUNTRIES TO BE REVIEWED BY PRINCE ANALYSIS. RICH, IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER EMPLOYEES OF PRINCE ANALYSIS, HAS REVIEWED EMBASSY BONN'S REPORTING FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1 TO

NOVEMBER 30. HE HAS SELECTED FIFTY EMBASSY POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC REPORTS AND HAS CONDUCTED EXTENSIVE INTERVIEWS IN THE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES WITH END USERS. HE NOW WISHES TO INTERVIEW THE AUTHORS OF THESE REPORTS. HE WILL ALSO WISH TO SPEAK WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER AGENCIES SUCH AS DEFENSE AND TREASURY.

7. RICH HAS MET WITH AMBASSADOR HILLENBRAND. AT AMBASSADOR'S SUGGESTION, EUR/CE HAS POUCHED TO DCM A LIST OF THE REPORTS MR. RICH WISHES TO REVIEW WITH THEIR AUTHORS. DCM IS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE EUR/CE WITH THE NAME OF THE PERSON WHO WILL HOLD THIS MATERIAL FOR RICH'S ARRIVAL AND ACT AS HIS CONTROL OFFICER.

8. RICH'S ETA IS 1005, JANUARY 5 AT BONN/KOLN ON LUFTHANSA 493. HE WILL CALL HIS CONTROL OFFICER THE MORNING OF JANUARY 6. EMBASSY REQUESTED RESERVE SINGLE WITH BATH IN EMBASSY GUEST HOUSE JANUARY 5 TO 10, OR MODERATELY PRICED HOTEL IF GUEST HOUSE NOT AVAILABLE. UNCLASSIFIED

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9. RICH HAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE SECURITY CLEARANCE THROUGH SECRET. THIS CLEARANCE WAS GRANTED ON THE CONDITION THAT COMMISSION'S FINAL STUDY, WHICH WILL BE PUBLISHED, NOT RPT NOT INCLUDE CITATION OF SPECIFIC SOURCES--PEOPLE OR DOCUMENTS. KISSINGER

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